(d) what was the estimated total amount spent on these committees and commissions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Ban on the Towards Freedom Volumes Dealing with the Year 1938

5118. SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVEOLPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Towards Freedom volumes (in three parts) dealing with the year 1938 have been banned by the Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR);

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) if not, why the above volumes were not formally released by the ICHR; and

(d) whether ICHR does not intend to publish the remaining volumes of this Project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The volume was released in September/October, 1999.

(d) The ICHR intends to publish the remaining volumes of Towards Freedom Project.

Policy on working of Autonomous Institutions

5119. DR. RAJA RAMANNA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is change in policy on the working of autonomous institutions and universities under the Ministry in that there would be less autonomy and more reference to the concerned Ministry for action on all decisions;